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Social Audit Scheme
Singh Shri Bhola

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government proposes to launch Social Audit scheme in local bodies like Municipality;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether many schemes like AMRUT, Housing for All and Smart Cities Mission have been launched for urban development;

(d) if so, the reasons for failure of previous schemes; and

(e) the details of challenges being faced by the Government to make cities smart?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a)& (b): No, Madam. There is no proposal to launch Social Audit Scheme in Local Bodies. However, various schemes guidelines provide for instructions regarding social audit through creditable institutions and citizen participation.

(c): Yes, Madam. The schemes like Smart Cities, AMRUT, Swachh Bharat Mission and Housing for All etc., have been launched by Government.

(d): Previous schemes like JNNURM have come to an end. Lessons for better implementation from those schemes have been incorporated in the new schemes guidelines.

(e): The Government is striving to address the challenges of capacity, finance, convergence, adoption of latest technology and involvement of stakeholders in the effort to make cities smart.

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